the guidelines of the Planning Commission with regard to earmarking of funds under Special Component Plan (SCP) in their plan outlays. The proportion of outlays that were earmarked under Special Component Plan for SCs within the total plan outlays in 2004-05 and 2005-06 for different Ministries of the Union Governments are as follows:

(Rs. in crore)

Name of the Ministries	Earmarked fund under SCSP for 2004-05	Proportion (%)of SCSP fund for 2004-05	Earmarked Funds under SCSP for Annual Plan 2005-06	Proportion (%)ofSCSP fund for 2005-06
1. Ministry of HRD	1233.75	11.5	2469.48	12.9
2. Ministry of Science & Technology	2.50	0.13	2.50	0.10
3. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare	44.46	0.59	63.88	0.66
4. Ministry of Rural Development	2208.25	13.8	2556.38	10.40
5. Department of Labour & Employment	4.45	2.45	2.45	1.05
6. Small, Micro and Medium Enterprises	2.07	0.48	3.06	0.64

NHs damaged in heavy rains

2265. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain stretches of National Highways in Rajasthan and U.P. have been badly damaged due to heavy rains in the year 2007;

(b) if so, the damages, National Highway-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the State Governments of Rajasthan and U.P. have submitted proposals for allotment of funds for immediate and permanent restroration of damaged NHs and the amount of proposals;

(d) whether Government has allocated amount for restoration of flood damages;

(e) if so, how much;

(f) whether the amount is sufficient; and

(g) if not, what does Government think regarding repair and restoration of these NHs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Damages to National Highways (NHs) due to rains are in the form of pot holes, patches, damage of toe & retaining walls, surface damaged in selected stretches, breach of road in selected stretches, cuts & erosion of earth in shoulders, damaging of dram & culverts etc. in National Highway No 8, 11, 11B, 12, 14, 15, 65, 89, 90, 112, 113, 114, & 116 in Rajasthan State and in National Highway No 7,19,24,27,28B, 29,56,72A, 73,74,75E, 76,76E, 86, 87, 91,91A, 92,93, 96, 97, & 119 in U.P State.

(c) State PWD of Rajasthan has submitted 16 estimates amounting to Rs. 795.32 lakh during 2007-08. Out of these 15 estimates amounting to Rs. 714.64 lakh have been sanctioned

by Ministry. One estimate amounting to Rs. 34.49 lakh is under consideration in the Ministry. State PWD of UP has submitted 14 estimates amounting to Rs. 749.92 lakh during 2007-08. Out of these 13 estimates amounting to Rs. 349.16 lakh have been sanctioned by the Ministry. One estimate amounting to Rs. 24.12 lakh is under consideration in the Ministry.

(d) and (e) During 2007-08, Rs. 8.92 crore and Rs. 4.06 crore have been allocated for Flood Damage Repair works in respect of Rajasthan and U.P. States respectively;

(f) and (g) The allocation of funds for maintenance and repair of National Highways in the country is nearly 40% of the amount required as per norms. National Highways are maintained in traffic worthy condition within available resources.

Resurfacing of Vadodara-Surat NH

2266. SHRI JAYANTILAL BAROT:
SHRI SURENDRA MOTILAL PATEL:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Gujarat has represented to NHAI regarding need of urgent resurfacing of Vadodara-Surat National Highway;

(b) if so, by when this work would be taken up;

(c) whether it is a fact that travel time of three hours has increased to five hours on account of bad condition of road between Vadodara and Surat; and

(d) if so, the action taken by NHAI to prevent frequent breakdown of vehicles and traffic jams taking place on account of bad condition of roads?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) and (b) Yes Sir, The urgent resurfacing work on scattered badly damaged stretches due to heavy rains in aggregate length of 70 Km. has been completed.

(c) As significant sections suffered damages during the monsoon due to heavy rainfall/ flood and owning to repair work and widening work on Vadodara-Surat section requiring traffic regulation and diversions, there is some increas in travel time on occasions.

(d) The section is already under construction for 6 laning on BOT basis and is targeted to be completed July 2009. This project also includes various improvements like provision of flyovers at major junctions, ROBs on Railways crossing, pedestrian underpasses etc. which will improve the riding comfort and reduce congestion on this section.

Delhi-Jaipur expressway

†2267. SHRI KRISHAN LAL BALMIKI: DR.
PRABHA THAKUR:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minister of Finance had announced construction of expressway from Delhi to Jaipur in his budget speech 2006-07; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.